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March 22 Work Session: Gang Injunction Program

## Dear Mayor and Council,

I want to express my continuing support for the City of Hayward's efforts to develop a Gang Injunction Program. As you'll recall, this was an identified Council Priority over two years ago just after I arrived at the City. At several Council member's encouragement, a significant amount of time was committed to begin the development of what is a targeted, specific effort to curtail gang activities within the city, consistent with the Council's overriding priority to improve public safety.

As part of our Community Oriented Policing Services (COPs) Grant application to fund nine police officers, a commitment was made to provide three new positions to develop a Gang Unit with the Police Department and an associated Gang Injunction program. When the grant was awarded, the necessary police resources were made available to support this program.

Please continue to support the Police Department's efforts to curb crime and impact what is an ongoing community concern for residents. People that live here, work here and own businesses here want this effort to continue. Let's send the right message to the community.

Thank you for your continued support of our Police Department and their efforts to make Hayward a safer place and please continue your commitment to our collective priority of a safer Hayward.

**Greg Jones**